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Welcome to the May 2003 edition. It seems that things are moving in a more positive direction with the Allied troops making short work of the Iraqi army. We can only hope that some sort of stability comes to the area quickly and that life can begin to return to normal for the people of the region. Let us hope that tensions in other areas of the planet do not materialize into major conflicts in the weeks and months ahead.

There is some big news at Radio H.F. to report this month. I have recently acquired access to an extensive catalog of nature related publications. As a result, the Radio H.F. Nature Division is now officially in operation. Look for complete details of the books available in the third "Radio H.F. Publicity Zone" in this Newsletter.

This month's "Special Zone" will feature Mother's Day (May 11) and Memorial Day (May 26)

THE MONTHLY SURVEY

Last month's survey question was a simple and straight-forward one. What is your all-time favourite movie? Still, with such an easy question, and one that practically everyone should have had an answer for, we received on 33 responses. To top it all off, we received 32 different answers. In other words, the title of only one movie came up more than once. That movie was "Gone with the Wind". There were many other classic films mentioned, including Ben Hur, The Godfather, Casablanca, The Third Man, American Graffiti, Dracula, Braveheart, to name just a few. Thank you to all who participated.

THIS MONTH'S SURVEY

Perhaps what I should be asking this month is whether or not we should continue the monthly survey. With as simple a question as we had last month, and with over 1200 subscribers receiving the Newsletter, to have only 33 responses brings up a lot of questions as to the relevance of the survey. We'll give it one more try this month and then make the call.

Let's focus on transportation this time. If money were no object, which specific vehicle would you own? Would it be a luxury car, SUV, sports car, monster truck, vintage collectors' item...? Let us know.

Please send your response, by e-mail, to hfnewsletter@yahoo.com

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THE COMMENTS ZONE

KEVIN BLANCHARD, Athens, Ontario: First things first I would like to thank you for the Newsletter. I enjoy them every month, and the special one for the war was great.

JOHN MORAN, ???; I was very impressed with the contents of your newsletters, particularly your March 24 special. I'm looking forward to receiving future issues. I primarily monitor SWL BDCST and HF Utilities.

STEWART MACKENZIE, California: Will put in my personal "thanks" for all the work that you are doing for HF Newsletter. In the past I have been there and done that, so I am aware of the workload one must endure in such projects. Keep up the good work!

THE CONTRIBUTORS ZONE

All the way down to only 5 contributors of web sites this month. What's happening, folks? Surely some of you would like to share some of your favourite sites, or some unique find that you stumbled on to on the Net. Thanks to those who took the time to contribute this month.

Robert Ellis, Beaconsfield, Quebec
Michael Greenly, ???
Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec
Jerry Proc, Toronto, Ontario
Elmer Standish, Courtenay, British Columbia
Alex Vegh, Beaconsfield, Quebec
Yahoo Weekly Picks

THE MONTHLY SPECIAL ZONE -- GENERAL

MOTHER'S DAY ON THE NET

http://www.holidays.net/mother/index.htm

A collection of things for you, your mom and your family, including stories to read, some music to enjoy, some pictures for the kids to color. You can also read about the history of the holiday.

MEMORIAL DAY-IN MEMORY OF OUR HONORED DEAD

http://www.usmemorialday.org/

This site was created to help promote the return of the original intent and meaning back to Memorial Day, to be a central point for finding information on the day, and to provide an online community for people to share their feelings, pride, respect and honor for those that gave their all. Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday in the month of May.

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RADIO H.F. PUBLICITY ZONE

NEW FROM ICOM

ICOM IC-T90A Tri-Band Portable

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For a full copy of the brochure, in PDF format, please visit:

http://www.icomcanada.com/whatsnew/whatsnew.htm

Please contact Radio H.F. for details on availability and pricing, as well as any other Icom products or accessories.

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THE RADIO ZONE

RADIO LIST

http://www.radio-list.com

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

The site you are about to enter is one of the biggest online directories on the net. It's not a search engine. It's simply a directory with one target: helping you to find everything that concerns Internet Radio, from music stations to history channels, jingles, news & media, personalities, tributes, international broadcasters, production services,

guides and more! Every entry in this directory was reviewed before posted, to help maintaining the quality of this directory. All the sites and stations are sorted in categories to help you find whatever you like easily.

ALL THAT JAZZ WITH BRIAN PARKER

http://www.jazz-radio.fm/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Based in the Costa del Sol, in Spain, Brian Parker, station owner, produces a weekly programme of jazz for listeners on the net around the world.

THE RADIO & TELEVISION TRANSMITTER SITE

http://www.geocities.com/TelevisionCity/Lot/2941/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This page, created by Dennis H. of the Netherlands, is dedicated to the world of FM and television DXing.

CRYSTAL RADIO RESOURCES

http://www.thebest.net/wuggy/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Providing a "pretty good set" of resources and ideas for the crystal radio enthusiast

VINTAGE RADIO & SCIENTIFIC APPARATUS

http://www.sparkmuseum.com

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This site is created and maintained by Mr. John Jenkins. He writes "Welcome to my 'virtual' radio and scientific instruments museum where I display the radios and other items I have collected over the past thirty years. I hope you enjoy them as much as I do. I'm always interested in early wireless, radio, scientific and other electrical items up to about 1900 (including books and other publications) so feel free to drop me a line if you have anything you might want to sell or trade."

A STUDY OF RADIO DIALS

http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/9178/radios/dials.htm

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This site features a look back at various styles of dials used on radios over the years, plus gives some insight into the design and layout of them.

NORTHWEST AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATIONS

http://microvoltradio.com/

VIA Alex Vegh, Beaconsfield, Quebec

A collection of aeronautical information for the U.S. northwest, including frequencies, live streaming air traffic control, flight tracking, and many links for the aero buffs.

TV TECHNOLOGY

http://www.tvtechnology.com/

VIA Elmer Standish, Courtenay, British Columbia

For anyone interested in the various aspects of television technology, this site will be for you.

INTRODUCING ECHOLINK

http://www.synergenics.com/el/

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

EchoLink is software which allows Amateur Radio stations to communicate with one another over the Internet, using voice-over-IP (VoIP) technology. The program allows worldwide connections to be made between stations, from computer to station, or from computer to computer. There are more than 82,000 registered users in 131 countries worldwide!

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UNIDEN DIGITAL SCANNERS

UNIDEN BC-250D Digital Portable Scanner
UNIDEN BC-785D Digital Mobile/Base Scanner
UNIDEN BC-i25D Digital Accessory Card

The new generation of scanners is here from Uniden/Bearcat. For complete details on these scanners, please visit the web sites indicated:

http://www.uniden.com/product.cfm?product=BC250D
http://www.uniden.com/product.cfm?product=BC785D
http://www.uniden.com/product.cfm?product=BCi25D

For pricing and availability of these, or any other Uniden products, please contact Radio HF.

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THE GENERAL ZONE

SOCIAL APPROACH

http://www.ags.uci.edu/~tmheaney/SNA/index.html

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

This web resource for aviation enthusiasts includes news, plane spotting info, air traffic control, flight simulator links, and more.

PEDALING HISTORY BICYCLE MUSEUM

http://www.pedalinghistory.com/default.htm

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Have you ever wondered how the bicycle came about? What was the first machine that started it all? Explore the history of the American bicycle on this site. We cover the antiques through the classics to modern bikes. We cover social, design, manufacturing, marketing, and sport influences. Check it out!

MOVIE RESOURCES

http://www.geocities.com/movie_hobbysite/

VIA Michael Greenly, Webmaster of site

This is the home of the Internet's best movie resources. Find out everything you want to know about movies.

THE TIME TRAVEL INSTITUTE

http://www.timetravelinstitute.com/

VIA Elmer Standish, Courtenay, British Columbia

The Time Travel Institute is dedicated to the research and exploration of the temporal sciences. Through the contribution of hundreds of experts in the field around the world, we are getting ever closer to our goal of controlling and manipulating time.

THE NASA ECLIPSE HOME PAGE

http://sunearth.gsfc.nasa.gov/eclipse/eclipse.html

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

Stay up to date with the latest information on upcoming lunar and solar eclipses, plus other related information.

DICTATORS OF THE 20TH CENTURY

http://www.cbv.ns.ca/dictator/default.html

VIA Robert Ellis, Beaconsfield, Quebec

Created by the Glace Bay, Nova Scotia high school students, this site sets up links to pages on the net focusing on famous dictators from the 20th Century.

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RADIO H.F. NATURE DIVISION
A NEW PRODUCT LINE FROM RADIO H.F.

Radio HF has opened up a new division featuring books and publications for the nature lover. The Radio H.F. Nature Division stocks books on birding, animals, insects, flowers, trees, and other nature related subjects. Our catalog will include some of the most popular titles in the field, including:

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National Audubon Society Picket Guides
Sibley Field Guides to Birds
Willow Creek Press books and calendars
Willow Creed Press Pet Owners' Guides
Peterson Field Guides (Birds, Plants, Mammals, Insects, Reptiles, Fishes
Peterson Audio Cassettes and CDs
Storey Books (Birds, cats, dogs, butterflies

These, plus many other nature related publications are now available through Radio H.F. If you are interested in any of these subjects, please contact Radio H.F. Nature Division for a complete catalog, at:

radiohf@total.net

The Radio H.F. web site will soon be expanded to include the listing of publications available through our Nature Division.

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THE FUN & SERVICES ZONE

THE THREE STOOGES

http://threestooges.net/default.asp

VIA Yahoo Weekly Picks

It seems that you either love them or hate them, but still today, decades after they made their last movie or television appearances, the slapstick trio still has a legion of fans worldwide. This site, dedicated to the life and career of the Three Stooges is full of great sounds, photographs and background information.

AMAZING OPTICAL ILLUSIONS

http://www.optillusions.com/

VIA Elmer Standish, Courtenay, British Columbia

Your eyes will be playing tricks on you as you surf through some of these famous optical illusions.

THE MUSEUM OF HOAXES

http://www.museumofhoaxes.com

VIA Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield Park, Quebec

A collection of Pranks, Stunts, Deceptions, and other wonderful stories contrived for the public from the Middle Ages to the New Millennium. This is a companion web site to a book.

INFILTRATION

http://www.infiltration.org/index.html

VIA Jerry Proc, Toronto, Ontario

Infiltration offers a mix of the practice and theory of urban exploration in areas not designed for public usage. This site is the online companion of the paper zine about going places you're not supposed to go, the latest issue of which came out in March 2003.

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NEW PUBLICATIONS FROM A.R.R.L.

YASME--The Danny Weil and Colvin Radio Expeditions -- by James D. Cain, K1TN
This is the history of three travelers spanning the birth of YASME--the boat that carried young sailor Danny Weil on his first voyages beginning in 1954--and the lives of famed ham radio DXpeditioners Lloyd and Iris Colvin. The Colvins' worldwide adventures continue to be recounted in ham radio circles, epitomizing the spirit of international friendship through Amateur Radio and their 30-year association with the YASME Foundation. Commissioned by The YASME Foundation and published by ARRL.
320 pages © 2003, published by The American Radio Relay League. (ISBN: 0-87259-893-4) #8934
PRICE -- $38.50 Canadian
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The ARRL DXCC List -- May 2003 Edition
The official source of DXCC information! Record the DXCC Entities you've worked and QSLed! This new edition includes a complete listing of DX Century Club rules including the latest changes and clarifications. It contains information about each entity on the DXCC List, deleted entities, and the latest DXCC Entity additions. Also included are a prefix cross-reference, the list of international call sign series, and much more. Descriptions of all DXCC awards are covered, and information about how to get numerous DXCC items, such as pins and plaques. This is a "must have" for every DXer.
May 2003 edition, © 2003, The American Radio Relay League, Inc. (ISBN: 0-87259-894-2) #8942
PRICE -- $6.50 Canadian
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THE HAMFEST/FLEAMARKET AND SPECIAL EVENTS ZONE

Each month we list upcoming events, including hamfests, predominantly in Canada. NOTE: All times quoted are local.
(Compiled by Vernon Ikeda VE2MBS, Pierrefonds, Quebec)

Saturday, May 10
Skyward Annual Spring Hamfest and Fleamarket.
Etobicoke (Toronto), Ontario
Location: Westway United Church, 8 Templar Drive, Etobicoke, Ontario.
Vendors 8 AM; Public 9 AM to 11:30 AM
Admission $5.00 Tables $12.00 {includes one admission)

Talk-in: VE3SKY 146.985 (-) or Simplex 146.520 MHz
Table reservations: Derrick Poulter VE3JNK
Telephone 416-247-7728,
E-mail: dmpoulter@sympatico.ca
Web page http://webhome.idirect.com/~jproc/sarc

Saturday, May 10
19th Annual Smiths Falls Amateur Radio Fleamarket - Smiths Fall, Ontario
Location: Smiths Falls Youth Arena (behind 150 Elmsly Street North, Smiths Falls, ON.
Vendors 7 AM Public 9 AM to Noon
Tables $10.00 General Admission $3.00
Talk-in/ VE3RLR 147.210 (+)
Table reservations contact Baxter Smith VE3BFX, 8 St. Lawrence Street, Smiths Falls ON K7A 4K5,
TELEPHONE: (613)-283-7852
E-mail: baxsmith@falls.igs.net
Web page: http://www.falls.igs.net/~rlarc
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Friday, May 16 - Sunday May 18
Dayton Hamvention ® - Trotwood (Dayton), Ohio
Location: Hara Arena, 1001 Shiloh Springs Road, Trotwood (Dayton), Ohio.
Web Page: http://www.hamvention.org/

Saturday, May 24
Loyalist City ARC Fleamarket, Saint John, New Brunswick
Location: Gondola Point Recreation Centre
Vendors: 8 AM; Public: 10 AM to 3 PM
Admission: $3; Tables: Free
Talk-in: 147.270 (+)
Information: Wayne Sabean, 506-832-0998
E-mail: ve9sab@rac.ca
Web Page: http://personal.nbnet.nb.ca/ve9sab

Sunday, May 25
Hamfest du Québec - Tracy, Québec
Location: Curling A. Racine et Centre Culturel, Place du Centre Civique, Tracy, QC
Exposants/Vendors 6 AM Public 9 AM to 3 PM
Indoor Table - $15 including 1 admission, payable in advance. Outdoor Table - $7
General Admission $5.00
Talk-in: VE2RBS 145,370 (-), tone 103.5 Hz
Information and Reservations: Denis - ve2dsh at 450-746-0814 or ve2cbs@hotmail.com
Web Page: http://www.ve2cbs.qc.ca or http://www.hamfest.qc.ca
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Saturday, June 1
Amherstburg Radio Club 1st Annual Fleamarket
Amherstburg, Ontario
Location: Scout Hall at Victoria & Simcoe
Vendors: 7:30 AM; Public: 9 AM to 1:30 PM
Admission: Free; Tables: $5
Talk-in: 145.290 (-)
Information: Carey Collard, 519-736-7694
E-mail: va3trl@rac.ca

Saturday, June 7
Downeast Fleamarket
Halifax, Nova Scotia
Location: Annex to Halifax Forum, corner Young and Windsor Streets
Vendors: 6 AM; Public: 10 AM
Admission: $3; Tables: Free
Talk-in: 147.270 (+)
Information: David VE1NN, 902-462-3945
E-mail: dnimmo@accesswave.ca
Web Page: http://www.halifax-arc.org

Saturday, June 7
Central Ontario Fleamarket and Hamfest. - Fergus, Ontario
Location: Fergus & District Community Centre, 10 km north of Guelph off Highway 6.
Vendors: 6 AM; Tailgaters 7 AM; Public 8 AM to 12:30
Admission $5.00 -- Vendors - Inside tables $10.00 plus admission, Outside Tailgater spaces $5, plus admission.
Talk-in: VE3ZGM 145.210 (-) & 146.520 Simplex.
Information: Mike Peleschak, VE3OGE
Phone: (519)-822-3552 E-mail: info@hamfest.on.ca
Web page: http://www.hamfest.on.ca

June 8- Maple Ridge ARC Hamfest
Pitt Meadows, British Columbia
Location: 12460 Harris Road, Pitt Meadows, BC
Vendors: 7:30 AM; Public: 9 AM
Admission: $3; Tables: $18
Talk-in: 146.800 (-) Tone 156.7
Information: Mike Rossner, 604-466-2957

E-mail: meham@telus.net
Web Page: http://www.qsl.net/ve7rmr

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THE RESOURCES ZONE

The following is a listing of clubs, groups, and radio broadcasts that I am actively involved in.

THE CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL DX CLUB

CIDX is Canada's national radio monitoring club, serving radio hobbyists since 1962, now in our 41st year of operation. Our monthly newsletter, Messenger, covers all aspects of the radio monitoring hobby. Our May 2003 edition is now available. Sample copies are available for $2 each, in Canada or the U.S., or $3 overseas. Membership is open to radio hobbyists worldwide. Visit the CIDX web site for complete information, as well as special features and web site profiles, or for a membership application.

http://www.anarc.org/cidx/

THE INTERNATIONAL RADIO REPORT

The International Radio Report, on CKUT-FM Radio McGill, 90.3 FM in Montreal, is available via the Internet on RealAudio, live streaming, and on the airwaves of CKUT, Sunday mornings at 10:30 AM Eastern (1430 UTC). Celebrating 15 years on the air, co-host Bill Westenhaver and I present this weekly half-hour of news, information and developments in radio broadcasting. Visit the Radio McGill web page for full CKUT programming:

http://www.ckut.ca

You may also listen to the International Radio Report when you like. Archived editions of the programme have been posted on the web, thanks to the initiative of Ricky Leong, of Brossard, Quebec. Please check:

http://members.fortunecity.com/crazyaboutradio/

Send your comments or questions to the International Radio Report, by e-mail, to radioreport@yahoo.com

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http://www.rcinet.ca

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